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# GOVERNOR: SCHOOLS LIKELY OUT UNTIL FALL

- Newsom puts California National Guard on alert
- Stimulus plan includes issuing checks to millions
- San Diego officials back moratorium on evictions
- Trump will order strict U.S.-Mexico border controls

NELVIN C. CEPEDA U-T

**Duncan D. Hunter walks Tuesday to federal court in San Diego where he was sentenced to 11 months in prison.**

## EX-REP. HUNTER GETS 11 MONTHS PRISON

He admitted using campaign funds for personal purposes

BY GREG MORAN & MORGAN COOK

A judge sentenced former Rep. Duncan D. Hunter to 11 months in federal prison on Tuesday, closing a case that began nearly four years ago with questions about stolen campaign funds and ended the once-promising career of the scion of an East County political family.

U.S. District Court Judge Thomas Whelan gave Hunter until May 29 to report to a federal prison. The judge left open the possibility that date could change in light of evolving circumstances caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The 11-month sentence is in the middle of the 8-to-14-month range called for by federal sentencing rules under terms of the plea bargain struck by Hunter and the U.S. Department of Justice.

Hunter's lawyers had asked for a sentence that would not result in the former congressman going to prison, such as probation or home arrest. They brought up his military service as a Marine.

Whelan rejected that request.

Hunter, dressed in a blue suit, white shirt and tie, sat upright and listened impassively for nearly an hour as lawyers made their arguments to Whelan. He then stood up and briefly addressed the judge.

The former lawmaker from Alpine said he took full responsibility for the illegal use of the campaign funds and said it had been an honor to serve in the military and Congress.

Then he asked Whelan to

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JOHN GIBBINS U-T

**Raymond Diaz stacks onions at Feeding San Diego's warehouse on Tuesday. Charity CEO Vince Hall announced new emergency food distributions related to the increasing demand tied to COVID-19.**

## TWO COVID-19 CLUSTERS AMONG COUNTY CASES

Groups of 7 and 4 confirmed; local total reaches 60 with 5 more

BY PAUL SISSON, GARY WARTH & LYNDSAY WINKLEY

San Diego's public health leadership on Tuesday provided a deeper look at the patterns beginning to appear in the far-reaching epidemiological investigation that grows every time testing confirms a new COVID-19 case.

Five new cases were added to the count in San Diego County on Tuesday, pushing the total to 60 eight days after confirmation of the region's first local novel coronavirus infection on March 9.

Dr. Eric McDonald, medical director of the county's epidemiology and immunization services branch, said officials have spotted two "clusters" of individuals with common social connections among the first 55 cases detected.

The first includes four people, some whom are active-duty military members, who apparently contracted the virus in the community, McDonald said. One of the four got sick enough to be hospitalized, while the other three have been isolating at home. This grouping includes a person in the Navy whose infection was announced over the weekend.

"These individuals are known to each other, and we've identified close contacts of these individuals," McDonald said, noting that the investigation was ongoing.

The second group under investigation involves seven people who went on a ski trip in Colorado. That state issued an advisory that there had been cases in several counties with ski resorts.

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**SACRAMENTO**

Gov. Gavin Newsom said Tuesday that the state's public schools that serve 6.1 million students are likely to be closed for the remainder of the school year in response to the escalating coronavirus pandemic.

"Don't anticipate schools are going to open up in a week. Please don't anticipate in a few weeks," Newsom said. "I would plan, and assume, that it's unlikely that many of these schools — few, if any — will open before the summer break."

The remarks come at a time when almost all the school districts in the state, 98.8 percent, are already closed — an especially tough call in a state where 60 percent of students qualify for free or reduced price meals because they are members of low-income households.

Guidance from disease control experts has said that aggressive measures to "flatten the curve" and curb the rapid spread of the new coronavirus are likely to take eight weeks — which would extend school closures to basically the end of the academic year.

While promising "we will get back to the life that we have lived," Newsom also acknowledged much is unknown and so the state is preparing for worst-case scenarios.

He put the California National Guard on alert for duties that include humanitar-

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**President Donald Trump explains some of the administration's economic proposals to ease the impact of the coronavirus.**

## TRUMP MOVES TO BLUNT VIRUS' ECONOMIC IMPACT

$1 trillion stimulus urged; $250 billion in checks may go out to Americans

BY ALAN RAPPEPORT & EMILY COCHRANE

**WASHINGTON**

The Trump administration called on Tuesday for urgent action to speed $1 trillion into the economy, including sending $250 billion worth of checks to millions of Americans at risk of losing their livelihoods, as the United States government prepared to wield its most powerful tools to buttress an economy that faces the threat of a recession as the coronavirus pandemic spreads.

The Federal Reserve took the rare step of unleashing its emergency lending powers and President Donald Trump called on Congress to quickly approve the sweeping economic stimulus package, dispatching his Treasury secretary to Capitol Hill to begin hammering it out, as large sections of the economy shut down and companies began laying off workers.

With markets experiencing levels of volatility not seen since the

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**THE NEW NORMAL**

## SUDDENLY UNEMPLOYED, MANY GRAPPLE WITH RENT, BILLS

BY LORI WEISBERG, ANDREA LOPEZ-VILLAFAÑA & BRITTANY MEILING

Aaron Lenahan was looking forward to serving green beers and mixed drinks this past weekend at the annual Shamrock festival, which normally would have attracted some 15,000 thirsty revelers to the Gaslamp Quarter for a raucous, alcohol-fueled celebration.

But that didn't happen.

Now, instead of a much-needed boost in income after the slow winter months, the 40-year-old bartender worries about whether he'll even be able to pay his monthly rent of $1,050 for his City Heights apartment in the wake of mass job cuts prompted by the rapidly growing coronavirus outbreak.

"It's all coming up from under me," said Lenahan, who normally would be working jobs at Petchanga Arena and Petco Park this time of year. Instead, because of dozens of canceled sporting events and concerts, he's applying for unemployment and a grant from the USBG national Charity Foundation, which is offering a Bartender Emergency Assistance Program.

As the coronavirus pandemic continues to wreak havoc on the economy, forcing temporary closures of businesses large and small and cancellations of major events and conventions, hospitality workers like Lenahan are struggling to cope with being suddenly jobless or having their work hours drastically reduced.

"It's tough when you are already in a stressful position just due to the nature of the business and you are looking at the end of the tunnel, and then you get this news," said Lenahan, who also frets about being able to pay child support for his 8-year-old daughter. "I'm trying to get over the shock still and figure out where I have to go from here."

Already, nearly 20 percent of adults reported that they had been

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### BIDEN WINS PRIMARIES IN ALL 3 STATES

**A4** • Former Vice President Joe Biden sweeps Arizona, Florida and Illinois, padding his delegate lead over Bernie Sanders.

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